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For the last fifty years, Egypt has played a leading role at the United Nations and other international organizations to promote general and complete disarmament. Egypt has always sought to advance a comprehensive and balanced approach to the three main pillars of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), namely disarmament, non-proliferation, and the peaceful uses of nuclear energy.

"We [need] to collectively work together to achieve certain understandings that would ensure that nuclear facilities – everything related to nuclear energy – [are] protected," said Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Egypt's Foreign Minister and leader of the Egyptian delegation to the Nuclear Security Summit in Washington this week.

The Minister stressed the importance of the threat of nuclear terrorism and said, "We have to act and we have to act today, not tomorrow or the day after."

To view the full interview, please click [here](#).

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